



Center for Medicaid and State Operations

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Mr. Michael Fogarty
Chief Executive Officer
Oklahoma Health Care Authority
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Dear Mr. Fogarty:

We are pleased to inform you that the title XXI State Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) State plan amendment (SPA) submitted June 22, 2009, with additional information submitted on November 24, 2009, has been approved. This amendment expands health care coverage to children, with family incomes from 185 percent up to and including 300 percent of the Federal poverty level; provides for a premium assistance option under section 2105(c)(10) of the Social Security Act, as amended by the Children's Health Insurance Program Reauthorization Act of 2009 and exempts temporary income earned in working for the decennial Census from the eligibility calculations for Soon-To-Be-Sooners program applicants and enrollees.

This SPA has different effective dates for each of these changes: July 1, 2009, for the Census income; and January 1, 2010, to permit the expansion.

Your title XXI project officer is Ms. Andrea Casart. She is available to answer questions concerning this amendment and other CHIP-related issues. Ms. Casart's contact information is as follows:

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Official communications regarding program matters should be submitted simultaneously to Ms. Casart and to Mr. Bill Brooks, Associate Regional Administrator, in the Dallas Regional Office. Mr. Brooks' address is:

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If you have additional questions, please contact Ms. Victoria Wachino, Director, Family and Children's Health Programs Group, Center for Medicaid and State Operations, at (410) 786-5647.

We look forward to continuing to work with you and your staff.

Sincerely,

/s/

Cindy Mann
Director